FINANCE COMMITTEE LEWISTON, MAINE

Minutes of October 20, 2008

PRESENT: Chairman Roger Provencher, Councilor Robert Reed, Councilor Denis Theriault and Ron Paradis

ABSENT: Stavros Mendros

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by the Chairman Provencher.

The Committee reviewed the minutes of October 6, 2008 and Councilor Theriault suggested that the minutes be amended to include that, in the future, departments would forward Change Orders for approval prior to the work proceeding.

On motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Reed it was

VOTED:

(122-2008) To dispense with reading of the minutes of the previous meeting dated October 6, 2008 and to accept and place them on file with the amendment as noted above.

VOTE: 4-0

The Committee considered award of the bid on Plant Mixed Cold Patch. The Purchasing Agent indicated that the estimated requirements for the winter season would be 300 tons and this would likely be purchased shortly after the award of the bid and be delivered to the Public Works Operation Center.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Reed, seconded by Mr. Paradis it was

VOTED:

(123-2008) To award Bid 2008-062 on Plant Mixed Cold Patch to Harry C. Crooker & Sons, Topsham, Maine, low bidder at their bid price of \$94.50 per ton at bidder's plant and \$104.50 per ton delivered to the Operation Center.

VOTE: 4-0

A total of nine (9) companies submitted bids on Lighting Fixture Replacements at the Park Street and Chestnut Street Parking Garages. The bids were very competitive and the low bidder, Electrical Systems of Maine, submitted a total bid price of \$31,998.40. Based on those low units prices, it was recommended that the contract be extended to include the Southern Gateway Garage at the same unit prices that Electrical Systems of Maine had submitted in the base proposal. The cost of adding the Southern Gateway Garage would be \$26,570.10.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Reed it was

VOTED:

(124-2008) To award Bid 2008-059 on Park and Chestnut Street Parking Garages Lighting Fixtures Replacements to Electrical Systems of Maine, Auburn, Maine, low bidder at their total bid price of \$31,998.40 and to further award the contract for the Southern Gateway Garage at the same unit prices of \$142.85 each for a total of \$26,570.10.

VOTE: 4-0

The Finance Director reviewed the results of the Cost of Living Adjustment for City Pensioners under the old City Pension Plan, which is based on the average increases to active City employees. The increase is pursuant to the Charter and Code of Ordinances allowing for a cost of living increase to the thirteen (13) pensioners remaining under the plan.

On recommendation of the Finance Director and on motion of Mr. Reed, seconded by Mr. Paradis it was

VOTED:

(125-2008) Pursuant to Section 58-111 of the Revised Code of Ordinances, to authorize a Cost of Living Adjustment in the amount of 3.65% to all City Pensioners or their beneficiaries under the old City Pension Plan and that the increase be retroactive to July 1, 2008.

VOTE: 4-0

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To adjourn at 5:21 p.m.

Richard T. Metivier Clerk Finance Committee